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**MINUTES OF THE HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE
ON TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE**

May 22, 2018

10:30 a.m.

**Room 521 House Office
Building, Lansing, Michigan**

Representative Cole, Chair, called the meeting to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Representatives Cole, Webber, Lucido, Maturen, Roberts, Howell, Alexander, Calley, Noble, Chirkun, Love, Clemente, Sabo, Yancey.

Representative Webber made a motion to adopt the minutes of the joint meeting held on May 15, 2018 at 8:30 a.m. No objections being offered, the minutes were accepted as presented.

Representative Maturen made a motion to adopt the minutes of the meeting held on May 15, 2018 at 10:30 a.m. No objections being offered, the minutes were accepted as presented.

The Chair laid HB 477 before the committee.

SB 477 (Zorn) Traffic control; traffic regulation; vehicles to move over and slow down when passing certain stationary vehicles; require.

Chairman Cole explained the proposed substitute (H-2) to the bill.

Representative Howell moved to adopt substitute (H-2) to SB 477. The motion prevailed 14-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Cole, Webber, Lucido, Maturen, Roberts, Howell, Alexander, Calley, Noble, Chirkun, Love, Clemente, Sabo, Yancey. (14/14)

Nays: None. (0/14)

Pass: None. (0/14) (14/0/0)

James Walker, representing the National Motorists Association, testified in opposition to the bill.

Representative Alexander moved to report out SB 477 with recommendation, as substitute (H-2). The motion prevailed 13-0-1.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Cole, Webber, Lucido, Maturen, Roberts, Howell, Alexander, Calley, Noble, Chirkun, Clemente, Sabo, Yancey. (13/14)

Nays: None. (0/14)

Pass: Representative Love. (1/14) (13/0/1)

The following people submitted a card in support of the bill, but did not wish to speak:

Shane Preston, representing Senator Zorn's office.

Bill Zaagman, representing the Michigan Towing Association.

The Chair laid HB 4990 before the committee.

HB 4990 (Brann)	Vehicles; registration plates; vehicles owned and operated for nonprofit food banks and food pantries; revise registration fees.
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Chairman Cole explained the proposed substitute (H-2) to the bill.

Representative Webber made a motion to adopt substitute (H-2) to HB 4990. The motion prevailed 14-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Cole, Webber, Lucido, Maturen, Roberts, Howell, Alexander, Calley, Noble, Chirkun, Love, Clemente, Sabo, Yancey. (14/14)

Nays: None. (0/14)

Pass: None. (0/14) (14/0/0)

Representative Alexander moved to report out HB 4990 with recommendation, as substitute (H-2). The motion prevailed 14-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Cole, Webber, Lucido, Maturen, Roberts, Howell, Alexander, Calley, Noble, Chirkun, Love, Clemente, Sabo, Yancey. (14/14)

Nays: None. (0/14)

Pass: None. (0/14) (14/0/0)

The Chair laid HB 5622 before the committee.

HB 5622 (Reilly)	Highways; name; portion of M-15; designate as "Purple Heart Trail".
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Representative Reilly, joined by Post Commander Dennis Hoffman, representing the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 582, testified in support of the bill.

Representative Howell moved to report out HB 5622 with recommendation. The motion prevailed 14-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Cole, Webber, Lucido, Maturen, Roberts, Howell, Alexander, Calley, Noble, Chirkun, Love, Clemente, Sabo, Yancey. (14/14)

Nays: None. (0/14)

Pass: None. (0/14) (14/0/0)

Troy Hagon, representing the Michigan Department of Transportation, submitted a card with no position on the bill, but did not wish to speak.

The Chair laid HB 6013, HB 6014, and HB 6015 before the committee.

HB 6013 (Hernandez)	Transportation; other; Michigan innovative transportation board; create.
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HB 6014 (Sheppard)	Transportation; funds; funding for innovative materials and construction allocated to state trunk line fund; provide for.
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HB 6015 (Noble)	Transportation; funds; pool of funds for distribution by the Michigan innovative transportation board to county or city road commissions to be used for innovative materials and construction projects; create.
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Representative Hernandez, Representative Sheppard, and Representative Noble all testified in support of the bills. Questions and discussion followed.

The following people submitted cards in support of the bills, but did not wish to speak:

Jeff McAlvey, representing the Michigan Paving and Materials Company.

Doug Needham, representing the Michigan Aggregates Association.

Phil Browne, representing the Michigan Department of Transportation, testified in opposition to the bills. Questions and discussion followed.

The following people submitted cards in support of the bills, but did not wish to speak:

Lance Binoniemi, representing the Michigan Infrastructure and Transportation Association.

Ed Noyola, representing the County Road Association of Michigan.

The Chair laid HB 5237 before the committee.

HB 5237 (Kahle)	Vehicles; equipment; use of headlights when operating a vehicle during inclement weather and while windshield wipers are activated; require.
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Representative Kahle, joined by Paul Dye, testified in support of the bill. Questions and discussion followed.

Sergeant Matt Williams, representing the Michigan State Police, submitted a card in support of the bill, but did not wish to speak.

The Chair laid HB 5945 before the committee.

HB 5945 (Lasinski)	Traffic control; traffic regulation; truck route designations by local authorities and county road commissions; provide for agriculture equipment exemption.
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Representative Lasinski, joined by Kathy Fusilier, representing herself as a farmer from Washtenaw County, testified in support of the bill.

Troy Hagon, representing the Michigan Department of Transportation, submitted a card with no position on the bill, but did not wish to speak.

Andrew Vermeesch, representing the Michigan Farm Bureau, submitted a card in support of the bill, but did not wish to speak

Ed Noyola, representing the County Road Association of Michigan, submitted a card with a neutral position on the bill, but did not wish to speak.

Chairman Cole laid the committee at ease, the time being 11:50 a.m.

Vice-Chair Webber brought the committee back to order, the time being 11:51 a.m.

Vice-Chair Webber laid HB 5640, HB 5641, HB 5642, and HB 5643 before the committee.

HB 5640 (Cole)	Traffic control; traffic regulation; definition of railroad train, train, and other on-track equipment; modify.
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HB 5641 (Frederick)	Transportation; railroads; definition of other on-track equipment; create.
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HB 5642 (Greimel)	Traffic control; traffic regulation; certain criteria for operation of a vehicle at railroad crossings; expand.
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HB 5643 (Sneller)	Traffic control; traffic regulation; certain criteria for operation of a vehicle at railroad crossings; expand.
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Chairman Cole, Representative Frederick, Representative Greimel, and Representative Sneller all testified in support of the bills.

Jerry Gibson, representing the SMART Union Transportation Division, Christopher Hensley, representing the Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Employees, BJ Trumble, representing the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and Trainmen, Jon Cool, representing the Michigan Railroads Association, and Chris Bagwell, representing the Great Lakes Central Railroad, all testified in support of the bills. Questions and discussion followed.

Troy Hagon, representing the Michigan Department of Transportation, submitted a card with no position on the bill, but did not wish to speak.

There being no additional business before the Committee, Vice-Chair Webber declared the Committee adjourned, the time being 12:00 p.m.

Representative Triston Cole, Chair

Dakota Soda, Committee Clerk (517) 373-0350